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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three (3) month extension of time is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.